



MCDOT NEWS

News from the Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT)
Division of Highway Services

SERENITY LANE REHABILITATION PROJECT

Project to Begin Soon, Street to be Renewed

PURPOSE

This Newsletter is to inform you of the upcoming project to rehabilitate the pavement, curbs and sidewalks along Serenity Lane. This is a Capital funded project which employs long term strategies to rehabilitate, preserve and enhance the physical and operating conditions of the residential roadway system as it exists; and will ensure that the system is fully functional and serviceable for many years to come.

BACKGROUND

Thanks to the Capital Improvement Program, Rural & Residential Road Rehabilitation sponsored by County Executive Isiah Leggett and supported by the County Council, the Department of Transportation (MCDOT) is

pleased to announce an initiative to rehabilitate streets, curbs and sidewalks throughout well established and mature neighborhoods and roadways such as Serenity Lane.

Through the Pavement Management System, a comprehensive condition inventory of all County roads was developed, identifying and rating the condition of each pavement. Accordingly, MCDOT now develops County-wide resurfacing schedules based upon the objective rating system coupled with budgetary parameters.

Overall, the pavement of Serenity Lane was noted to be in need of rehabilitation and a good fit for the County's Rural & Residential Road Rehabilitation Program.

SCOPE OF PROJECT

The project replaces roadway pavement and ancillary elements such as

curbs (where existing) and sidewalks "in kind". The project will not widen nor alter the character of the streets throughout the community. The streets, sidewalks and curbs in the community have been inspected and evaluated, resulting in the planned work. The project will proceed according to the project work plan (noted below) which will include roadway patching, replacement of defective curbs and sidewalks and resurfacing using hot mix asphalt (HMA).

The outcome will be a new surface for both streets and sidewalks. The MCDOT has contracted with a private contractor to perform all related work. The contractor was selected through the public bidding process and has a proven track record of successfully completing similar work elsewhere in the county.

PROJECT WORK PLAN

Generally, the work will proceed as follows:

1. A MCDOT Arborist will inspect the trees within the area of construction influence and then develop a tree protection plan to minimize damage to existing trees that may result from any planned construction
2. Tree Protection is installed within construction zones and staging areas.
3. Prior to paving the streets, a MCDOT contractor performs full depth pavement patching of the roadway to restore structural integrity. These limited locations will be marked with white spray paint.
4. The MCDOT contractor edge mills (smooth grinds) the asphalt buildup adjacent to the curbs as necessary to restore proper drainage.
5. Utility Adjustments-Sewer and storm drain manholes, water valves and gas valves, and other underground utility access covers need to be elevated to the same grade as the proposed pavement,

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usually 1" to 2". During construction activities, all utility surface adjustments will be maintained by the placement of temporary asphalt ramps until placement of the final pavement occurs.

6. The MCDOT contractor paves the streets with hot mix asphalt.

SCHEDULE

The proposed schedule of activities may be affected by the weather and other operational requirements. The Serenity Lane project is scheduled to begin in late September and should be completed by late Fall 2013.

IMPACTS

All construction work will be scheduled between the hours of 7 am and 5 pm, Monday through Friday. Continuous traffic will be maintained at all times utilizing alternate one-way traffic patterns, when necessary. However, minor traffic delays may be experienced as our traffic control flagmen manually direct traffic safely through the construction zone.

The Serenity Lane Rehabilitation Project will necessitate temporary lane closures and temporary parking restrictions. Signs will be posted identifying such restrictions. Access to homes will be available at all times, however minor delays may be experienced as workers restrict traffic from freshly placed hot mix asphalt.

This type of comprehensive neighborhood system preservation project is generally characterized by moderate noise and dust. However, MCDOT will do its best to keep the site in good housekeeping order.

We apologize in advance for any unavoidable inconvenience this project may cause and appreciate your cooperation. MCDOT is confident that the residents of Serenity Lane will welcome the results of this program.

Thank you for your cooperation and patience as we work to improve the county infrastructure for residents and users.



Curb forms being made ready for concrete



Pouring new concrete into forms



Utilities will be raised to meet new HMA

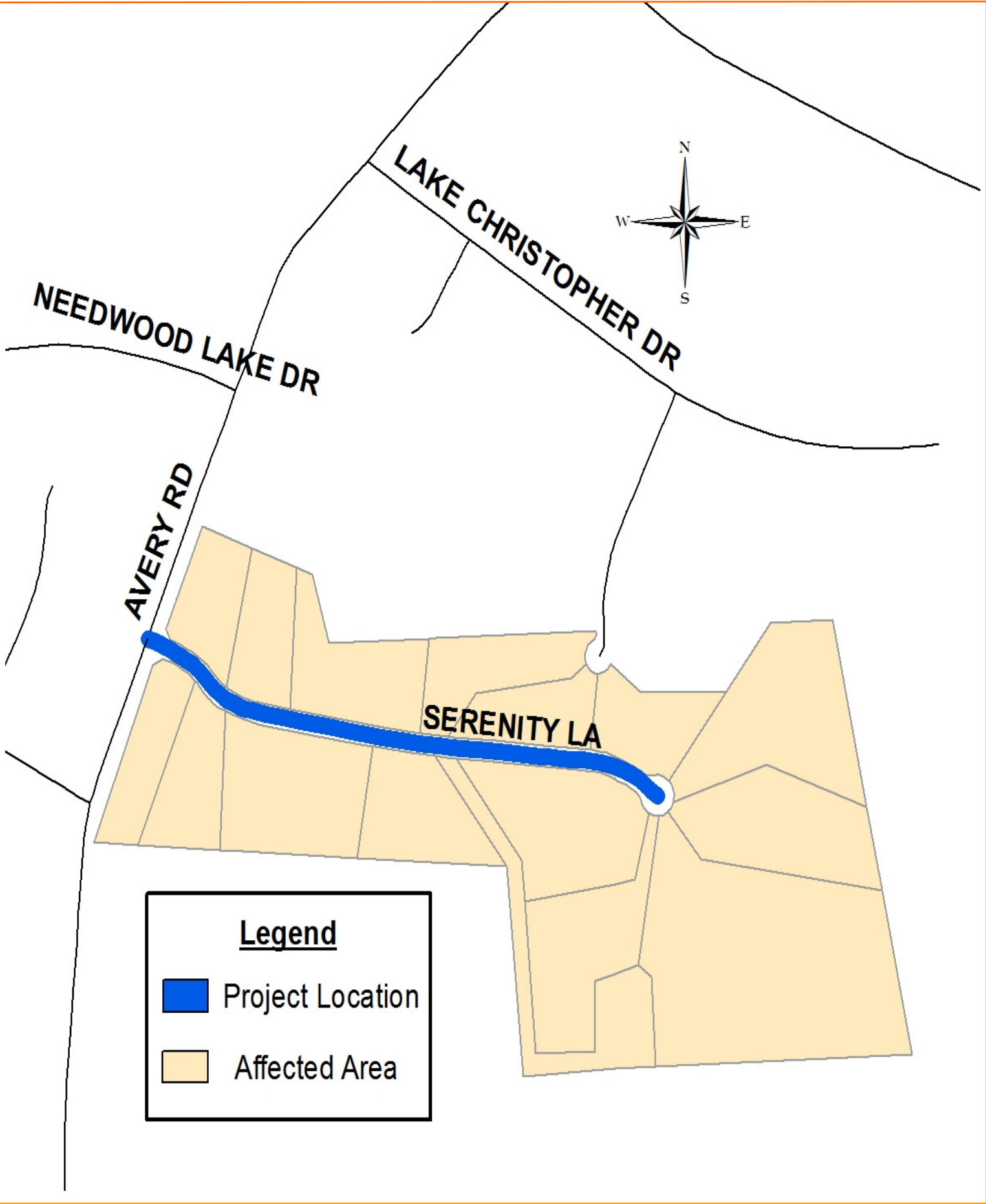


Typical milling operation



Typical asphalt paving operation

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NOTICE OF RENEW SERENITY LANE PROJECT

IMPORTANT! Lawn Sprinkler Systems and Invisible Dog Fences

If your home has either a buried lawn sprinkler system or invisible-type dog fence installed, please make sure that the system **DOES NOT** extend into the county right-of-way. If it does, please mark the locations of buried pipe or wire so that our equipment can attempt to avoid it. However, such systems are **NOT** permitted by the County Code to be located in the right-of-way and neither the County nor its contractors are responsible for any damage to **ANY** systems located there. If you do not know the locations, look in your phone book under **UTILITIES, UNDERGROUND CABLE, PIPE AND WIRE LOCATING SERVICE**.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Prior to starting work in your neighborhood, the Division of Highway Services will provide additional notice by placing temporary "NOTICE" signs at the major entrances to the neighborhood.

As crews move through the neighborhood they will post temporary "NO PARKING" signs along the street in the area scheduled for construction. We appreciate your efforts to cooperate with the workers by parking in your driveway. If that is not convenient, or if the driveway apron is being replaced, please contact the Project Manager to make other arrangements.

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